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SPOTLIGHT

Growing up, Hyemin Kim was often hurt by the words and actions of bullying. After several years of suffering, she decided to fight back. Hyemin, 19, did not turn to hurtful words or violence. She trained to become a youth counselor so she could help other kids who have been bullied. Since then, she has counseled at least 500 kids via e-mail and in face-to-face sessions.

Last May, Hyemin was honored as a top international volunteer by the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. The South Korean native traveled to Washington, D.C., for the festivities, where she and other honorees received their awards.

Hyemin says that the biggest reward has been the friends she has made through her work. "The more we share our pain and bad experiences, the closer we become," she told TFK in an e-mail. "I even made



Hyemin Kim (right) and other top volunteers were honored at the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards celebration in Washington, D.C., last May. Hyemin helps kids who are bullied.

friends with some kids who used to give me a hard time but now help me with the counseling."

Bullying has been around for a long time. But Hyemin is hopeful that if people keep talking about bullying and looking for solutions, it won't be such an issue. More recently, she has seen signs of change through her work with an Internet counseling cafe. "I recruited same-age counselors, and most of them have experienced bullying," Hyemin says. "If such kids come out in larger numbers to help other kids suffering from the same problem, we will be able to see a future where you [won't be able to find] the word bullying in a dictionary."

Looking for Answers

1.

What does Hyemin mean when she says she hopes for a future where you won't be able to find the word "bullying" in the dictionary?

2.

Why do you think it's good for people to talk about the issue of bullying?

3.

Hyemin is from South Korea. Were you surprised to learn that bullying is a problem in other countries? Explain your answer.

THINK! Do you think it's possible to erase bullying from school hallways? Why or why not? What are some ways your school could combat bullying?

Hmmmm.
Let's see. How was
my first day...?

Sweetie? I've been
just dying to know
-- how was your
first day?

K.B. recalls her first day of school, when she was
bullied by Cassandra and the "in" crowd...

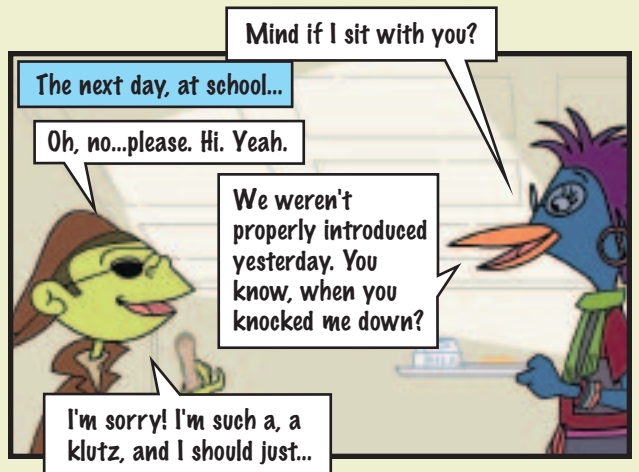
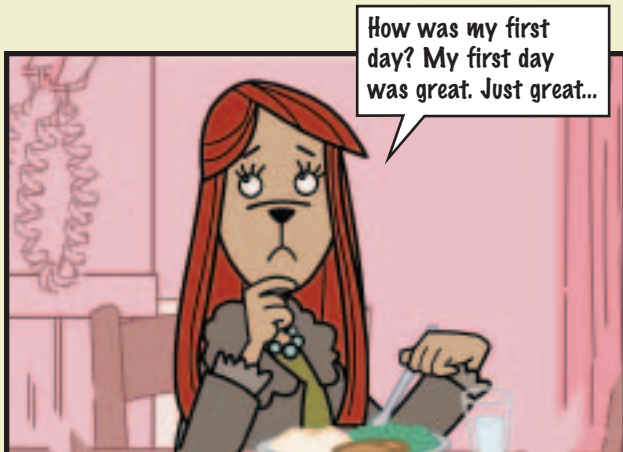
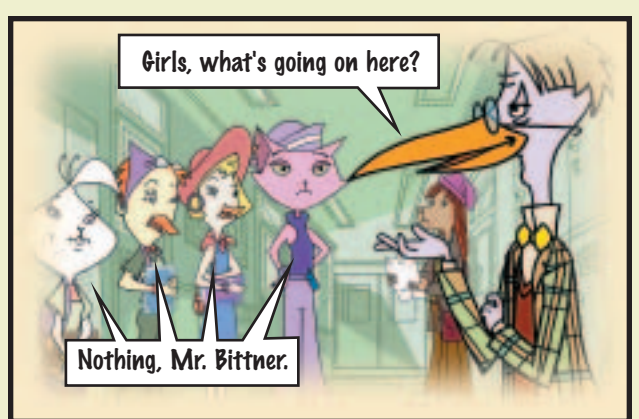
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here are taken!

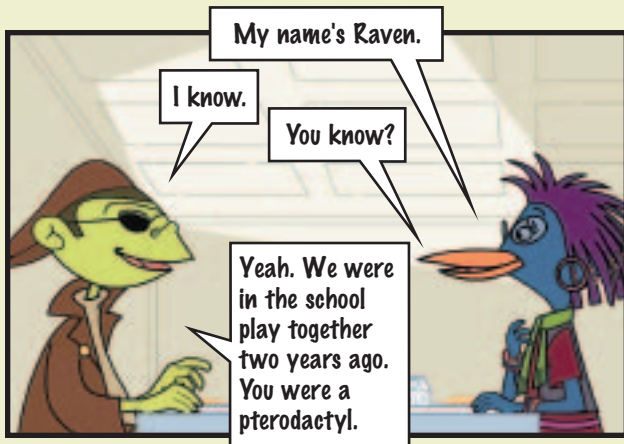
What are you apologizing for, your
clumsiness or your "sorry" outfit?

Squish!

Now that's what I call
accessorizing!

INSTANT MESSAGE
From: MIMI To: BIBI
"I SO WISH WE
HAD A CAMERA!"





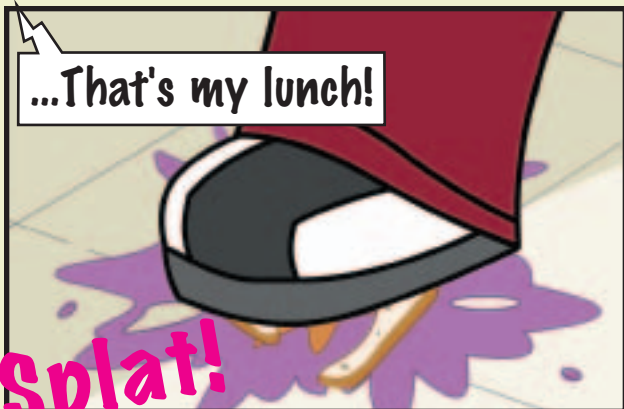
Back to the present...



Hey! G-give it back...

...That's my lunch!

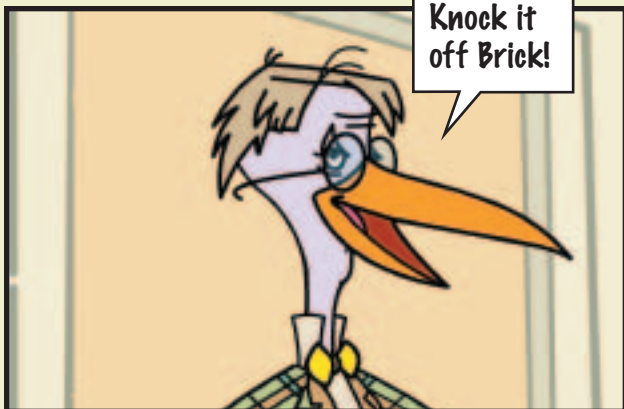
Splat!



"That's my lunch." If you're hungry, why don't you go suck on your tuba?

Yeah, suck on your tuba, Tuba Boy!

Knock it off Brick!



Are you OK?

Who me? Yeah, sure. Just suffering an attack of déjà-vu. Serious déjà-vu...



K.B.! Hurry - you don't want to be late for soccer tryouts!

Honk!
Honk!



Back at K.B.'s house...

Aahh! I forgot my soccer bag!

Calm down - it's in the back. I packed everything for you.

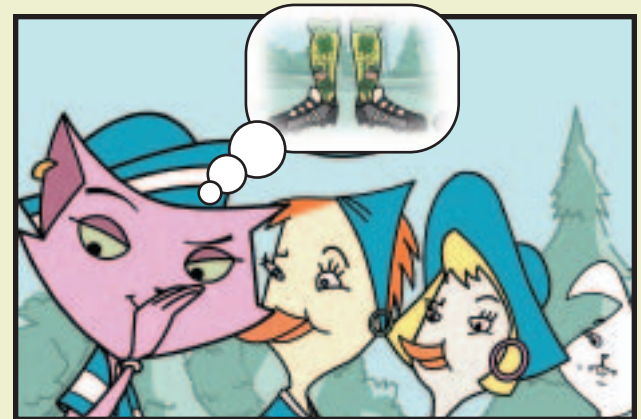
Did you pack my lucky socks?

Of course!

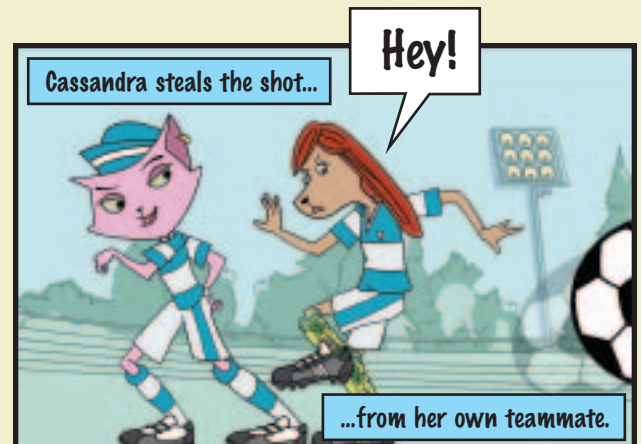


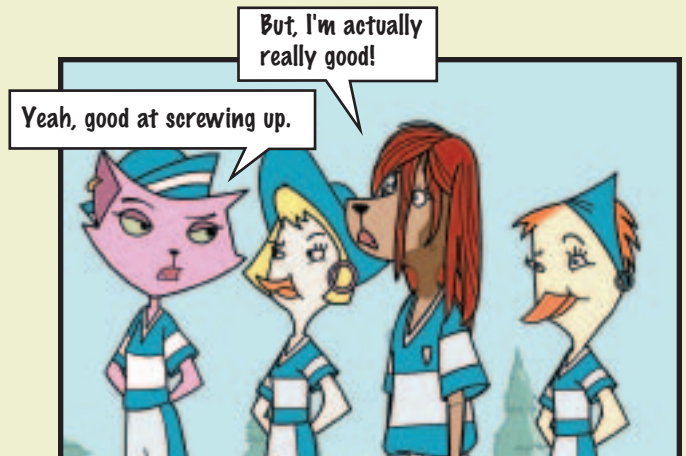


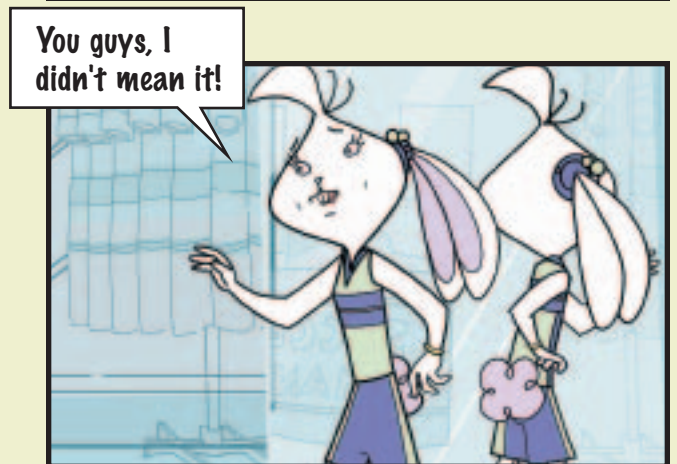
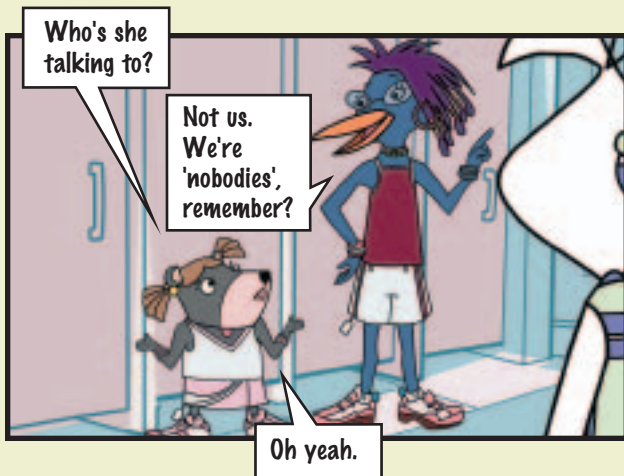
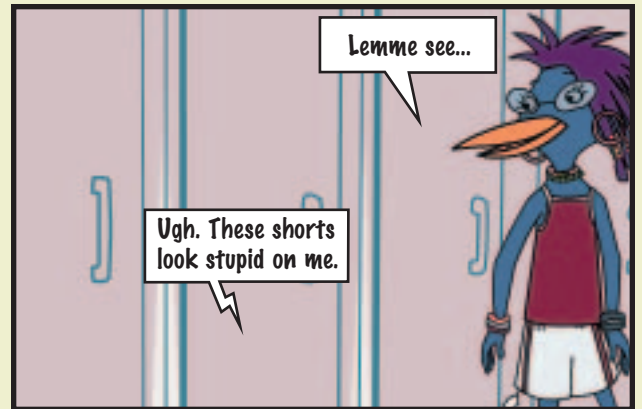
Listen up, girls. I don't give a growl how great of a player each one of you is, it's teamwork that matters!

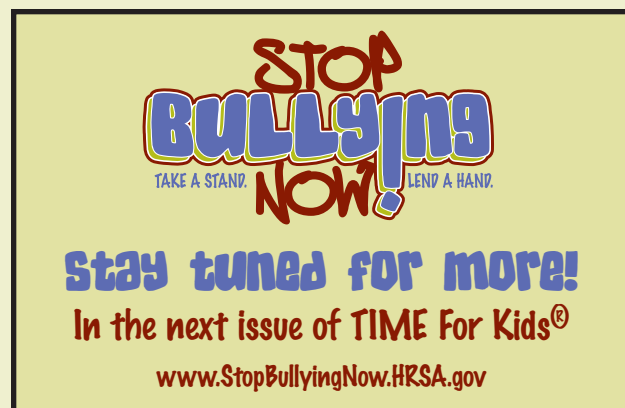
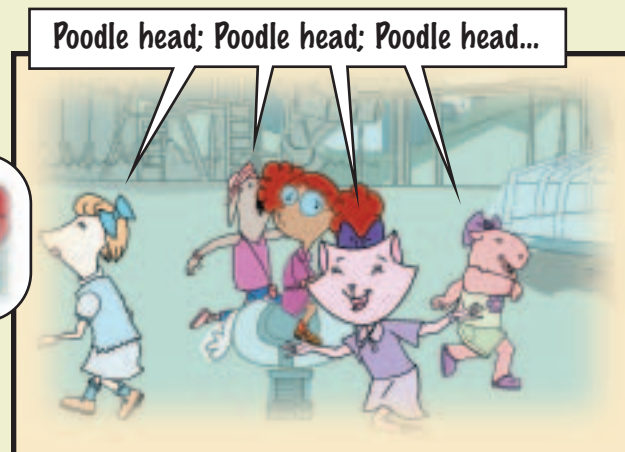
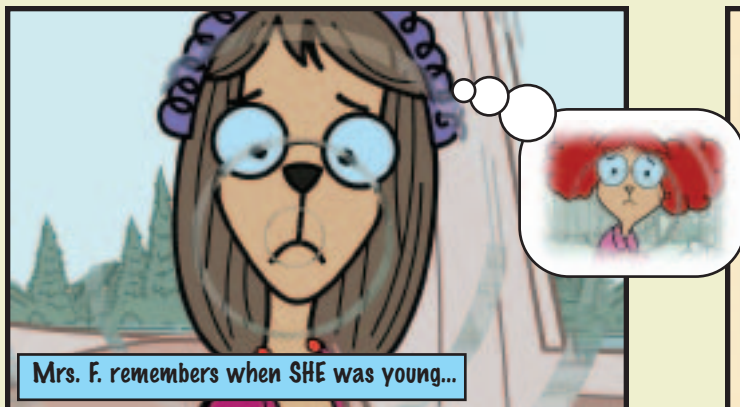


Now get out there and show me what you got!





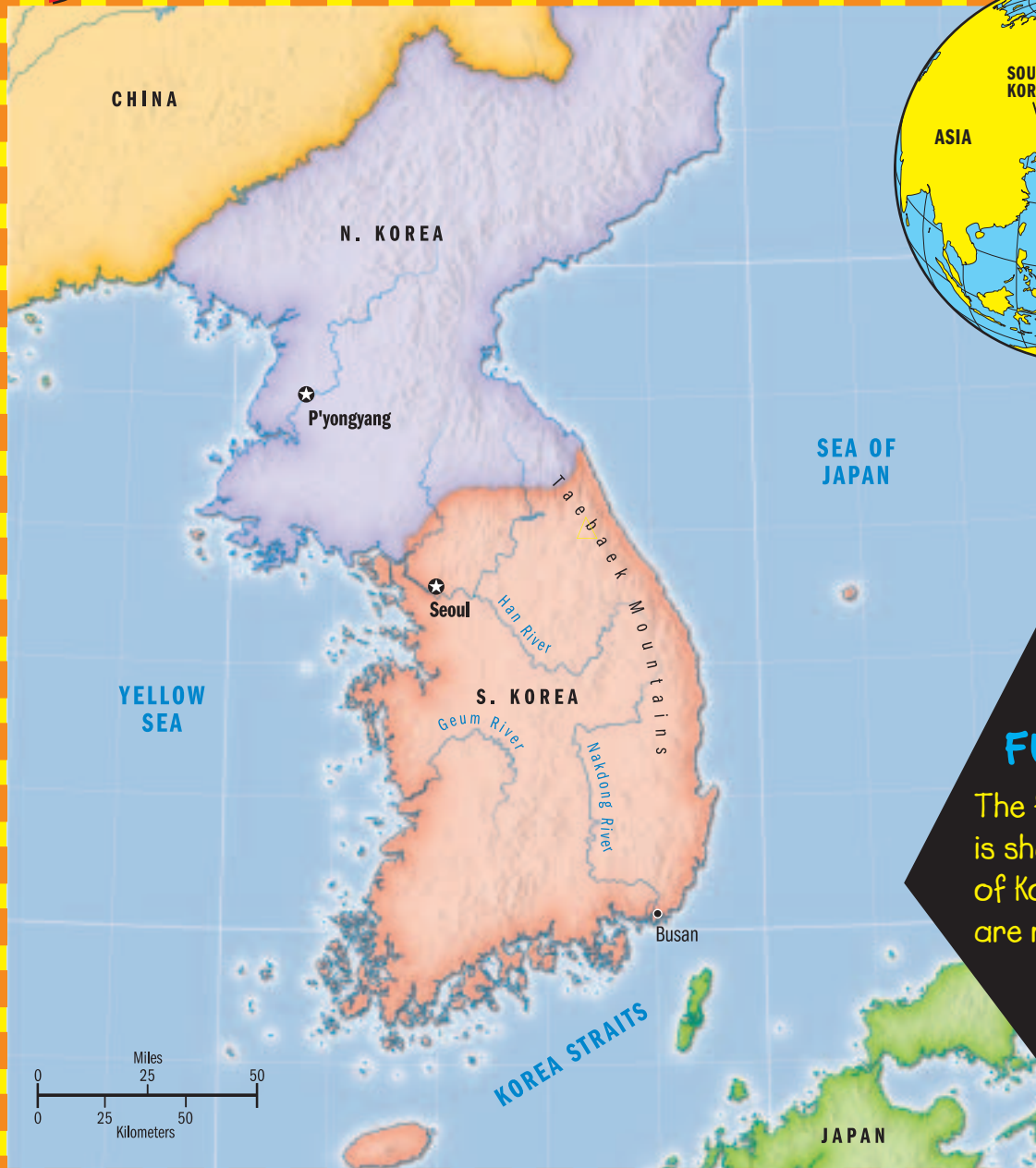




A LOOK AT: South Korea

Bullying doesn't only happen in U.S. schools. As Hyemin Kim's story shows, it happens in other countries. Here's a look at South Korea, where Hyemin lives.

Study the map. Then answer the questions.



FUN FACT:

The family name Kim is shared by 21.6% of Koreans; not all are related.

MAP IT OUT

Use the map to answer the following questions on a separate piece of paper.

1. Hyemin goes to Inje University near the city of Busan. Find Busan on the map and circle it.
2. Hyemin goes to school about how many miles away from South Korea's capital?
3. True or false: Hyemin goes to school in the north.
4. Which two rivers empty into the Yellow Sea?
5. If Hyemin wanted to visit the Taebaek Mountains, in which direction would she travel?

6. If you were in a town along the mouth of the Geum River, about how many miles would you travel to visit Hyemin? In which direction would you travel?
7. True or false: A little more than one-fifth of Koreans have the family name Kim.



TFK Challenge

Solve our riddle with the letters from the red blanks.

Hint: The answers are in Webisodes 5-8.

A Positive Punchline

Bullying is no laughing matter. But sometimes humor can help you feel better. Spend time with people you can talk to and laugh with.

1. K.B. tells her mom that her first day at school was just _____.
2. Josh and Raven were in the school play _____ two years ago.
3. What sport does K.B. try out for? _____
4. Coach Cruncher wants to beat the: _____ Roadrunners
5. Raven says that Melanie makes her and Lasa feel like _____.



Riddle: Why did the kid cross the playground?

Answer: To _____ to the _____
_____!

Riddle Me This: Make up your own riddle now that you've solved this one.



Problem Solving

Researchers at the University of California at Los Angeles recently studied bullying in two Los Angeles middle schools. In all, 192 sixth graders participated in the study. Solve the problems below to see how some of the numbers from the study add up.

1. The researchers studied a total of 192 sixth graders. Almost half of them reported being bullied.
About how many sixth graders reported being bullied? _____
2. The first study followed 95 students in one school. Of this number, 47 were boys.
How many girls participated in the first study? _____
3. The 95 kids from the first school make up one-fourth of their school's total sixth-grade population.
How many sixth graders go to that school? _____
4. During one week of school, about 14 students reported that they saw two cases of bullying each day.
In all, how many cases did they report? _____

Bonus: Imagine the study followed the students for a month. During the first two weeks, all 14 reported seeing two cases of bullying each day of school. During the last two weeks, only 5 reported seeing two cases of bullying a day. The rest said they saw one a day. **How many cases were reported that month?** _____